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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

VICTORIA ALEXANDRA KULIS advised subject admitted during 1940-1941 that he was writing for the newspaper "Gīra", which newspaper was, in her opinion, the official organ of the Latvian CP. Informant advised subject was seen and spoken to by her on June 24 or 25, 1941, in Riga, Latvia, at which time subject was wearing a Swastika and patrolling in front of the former Cheka Headquarters in Riga. At this time, subject attempted to belittle his past CP activities. MARILJA KULIS advised subject's mother told her on or about 5/5/41, that it was the malediction of her family that both her husband and her son, the subject, were Communists.

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RETAILED:

At New York City

VICTORIA ALKALAMIANA KULIS, 167 West 131st Street, New York City, advised us during 1940 or 1941, that MARIJA KULIS, while in Riga, Latvia, admitted in her presence at her residence, No. 4, Kurpiacka Street, Riga, Latvia, that he was writing for the newspaper, "Sina", which paper was, to her knowledge, the organ of the Latvian Communist Party.

VICTORIA ALKALAMIANA KULIS further stated that on or about June 21; or 25, 1941, the first or second day of the German occupation of Riga, Latvia, while enroute to her home from the Central Prison of Riga, where she had gone endeavoring to find the body of her husband, MARTIS KULIS, she saw VITOLIS PERMANIS in front of the former Headquarters of the Cheka located at the corner of Stabu and Privibas Streets, Riga, Latvia. KULIS advised that at this time PERMANIS was wearing civilian clothing, a swastika arm band and carrying a rifle and was patrolling in front of the former Cheka Station. VICTORIA KULIS advised that she spoke with PERMANIS on this occasion and that to the best of her recollection, PERMANIS endeavored at this time to belittle his past Communist Party activities and indicated that his father was at this time in disfavor with the Russian authorities.

MARIJA KULIS, 167 West 131st Street, New York City, advised that on or about May 3, 1941, following her son, MARTIS, arrest by the Russian military authorities, she went to see Mrs. PERMANIS, the subject's mother. MARIJA KULIS stated that to the best of her recollection, the subject's mother resided in a section of Riga located in the vicinity of the Central Prison. MARIJA KULIS stated that the street quite possibly bore the name, "Artillery Street". MARIJA KULIS advised that the subject's mother, Mrs. PERMANIS, answered the door and that she introduced herself to Mrs. PERMANIS and asked for VITOLIS. Mrs. KULIS stated that Mrs. PERMANIS identified herself and informed her that VITOLIS was not at home.

MARIJA KULIS further stated that she informed Mrs. PERMANIS that her son, MARTIS, an acquaintance of VITOLIS, had been arrested. MARIJA KULIS stated that Mrs. PERMANIS took her by the hand and led her out into the hallway of the PERMANIS' residence and advised her that she was unable to talk to her within the confines of their living quarters, inasmuch as there were microphones secreted in the house.

Mrs. KULIS stated that she informed Mrs. PERMANIS that the purpose of her call was to ascertain whether Mrs. PERMANIS' son, VITOLIS,

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was in a position as a Communist, to ascertain the present location of ARSHIN KULIS'S incarceration. MARINA KULIS stated that Mrs. POKWANIS stated that her husband and son, VITOLIS, were in no position to assist her. Mrs. KULIS stated that Mrs. POKWANIS informed her, "It is the malediction of my family that both my husband and son are Communists". MARINA KULIS advised that this was the first and last occasion on which she had ever seen Mrs. POKWANIS, the subject's mother.

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